THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RANGARAJAN KUMARAMANGALAM): The matter is under consideration of the Government and a decision is likely to be taken shortly.

उच्च न्यायालयों और उच्चतम न्यायलय के न्यायाधीशों में अनुसूचित जातियों/अनुसूचित जनजातियों और अल्पसंख्यकों की संख्या

1103. **श्री राम अवधेश सिंह:** क्या **विधि, न्याय और कंपनी कार्य** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) प्रत्येक राज्य में उच्च न्यायालयों में न्यायाधीशों के रिक्त पदों की संख्या कितनी है;

(ख) समस्त राज्यों में उच्च न्यायालयों में पिछड़ी जातियों, अल्पसंख्यक समुदायों, अनुसूचित जातियों और अनुसूचित जनजातियों के न्यायाधीशों की संख्या कितनी है; और

(ग) उच्चतम न्यायालय में उपर्युक्त श्रेणियों के न्यायाधीशों की संख्या कितनी है?

संसदीय कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री और विधि, न्याय तथा कम्पनी कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री रंगराजन कुमारमंगलम्): (क) अपेक्षित जानकारी संलग्न विवरण में दी गई है। (**नीचे देखिए**)

(ख) अपेक्षित जानकारी, उच्च न्यायालयों की रजिस्ट्रियों से एकत्रित की जा रही हैं और प्राप्त हो जाने के पश्चात् वह सदन के पटल पर रख दी जाएगी।

(ग) उच्चतम न्यायालय की रजिस्ट्री ने यह सूचना दी है कि पिछड़ी जातियों, अल्पसंख्यक समुदायों, अनुसूचित जातियों और अनुसूचित जनजातियों के न्यायाधीशों की बाबत उनके पास कोई जानकारी नहीं है।

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Strike in Tis Hazari Courts

1104. SHRI MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI: Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that a strike is going on in Tis Hazari Courts of New Delhi since August, 1991;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor and what are the issues behind the strike;

(c) what steps have been taken by Government to get the strike called off and what is the outcome thereof; and

(d) what further action is proposed to be taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RANGARAJAN KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) The Delhi Bar Association is on strike since 30th August 1991 demanding that the pecuniary jurisdiction of the District Court should be enhanced on immediate basis. They are also opposed to the bifurcation of the District Court into judicial districts.

(c) and (d) The Government is of the view that the interest of litigant public should be the main criterion for effecting changes and have decided to implement the twin decisions of bifurcation and raising of pecuniary jurisdiction of District Court. The Bill for raising the pecuniary jurisdiction is being considered in Rajya Sabha during the current Session The bifurcation matter is being discussed with the Delhi Administration and Delhi High Court. It is hoped that the strike will be called off.

Creation of an All India Judicial Service

1105. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA:

SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA:

Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Supreme Court of India has recently passed an order in a case that Government should set up an All India Judicial Service, immediately; and

(b) if so, what is the reaction of Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RANGARAJAN KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) and (b) Through a judgement delivered on 13-11-91 in response to Writ Petition No. 1022 of 1989 filed by All India Judges' Association the Supreme Court has desired that the Government of India should examine the feasibility of implementing the recommendations of the Law Commission for the setting up of an All India Judicial Service. In the portion relating to the summing up of this judgement, the Supreme Court has given a direction that an All India Judicial Service should be set up and the Union of India should take appropriate steps in this regard. The matter is being examined.

Malpractices in the bye-election

1106. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any report on poll malpractices such as snatching of ballot papaers and ballot boxes, preventing genuine voters from voting, booth capturing, bogus voting and impersonation, in the bye-election that took place on the 16th November, 1991;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what remedial action Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RANGARAJAN KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(c) The aspect of remedial action in case of malpractices will be a part of the